MTTA Candidate for President Elect

Dennis Merritt Precision Machine Technology Hillyard Technical Center St Joseph, MO

Dennis has been an MTTA member since 1996. He has served 3 terms as Machine Tool Program Planner and is currently the Manufacturing Cluster Chair Elect. Dennis is the Precision Machining Instructor for Hillyard Technical Center and Manufacturing Engineering Technology Instructor for Missouri Western State College.

Dennis holds a Master of Science in Technical Occupational Education from Central Missouri State University; a Bachelor of Arts in Management and Human Relations from MidAmerica Nazarene University, Olathe, KS and an A.A.S. in Manufacturing Engineering from Missouri Western State College. He has been affiliated with technical education since 1991.

Dennis is a member of MTTA, Missouri ACTE and SkillsUSA. He serves as chair of the National Education Team of the Precision Machining contest. He is a member of the Society of Manufacturing Engineering and is a certified Manufacturing Technologist. He has been a presenter at Missouri ACTE for the Precision Machine cluster and SkillsUSA chair for HTC. Dennis has received numerous certificates in the expertise of CNC and Machine Tool. He has been nominated for "Teacher of the Year" in the St Joseph School District.

MTTA Candidate for Secretary

Dorothy Loges Graphic Arts Dallas County Career Center Louisburg, MO

Dorothy is the Graphic Arts Occupations instructor at Dallas County Career Center in Louisburg. Dorothy attended her first Missouri ACTE/MTTA Summer Conference in the summer of 2000 prior to attending New Teacher's Institute. She enjoyed the information received from fellow instructors at that conference and felt that MTTA was a great way to become more acquainted with technical education. As a result she became involved.

Dorothy is a member of Missouri ACTE and MTTA. She has served as Graphics Program Planner, Graphics Cluster Chair Elect and currently serves as the Graphics Cluster Chair. She has served on the MTTA Awards Committee as well as facilitated numerous workshops during summer conferences.